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Dear Lord,

As we embark on a new VFW Auxiliary year, we are thankful for the brave men and women who have served and continue to serve our great nation. We remember our Veterans, those who have laid down their lives, and those who bear the scars of battle in defense of our freedom. We honor their sacrifices and pray for their families, asking for your comfort and strength to be upon them. We also lift up our active-duty military personnel. We pray for their safety and courage as they stand on the front lines of freedom. May they feel your presence with them in every step they take. We ask for wisdom and guidance for our leaders and members of the VFW Auxiliary as we navigate this new year. Help us to serve our Veterans and their families with compassion, respect, and integrity. May we never forget the cost of freedom and the responsibility we bear to uphold it. Let our actions reflect our gratitude and commitment to those who have served and continue to serve. In your holy name, we pray.

Amen.



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Being a chaplain for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary is a significant responsibility. As a chaplain, you serve as a spiritual advisor to the organization and its members.

Here are some key points about the role:

You may provide spiritual guidance and support to VFW Auxiliary members. Whether you have religious training or past VFW Auxiliary experiences, your role is essential in fostering camaraderie and moral growth within the organization.

The chaplaincy is non-sectarian, meaning you minister to the spiritual needs of all members, regardless of their religious affiliation. You're there to offer aid, comfort, and confidential support.

While not required to be a professional clergyperson, you should possess qualities like caring, confidentiality, and a desire to help others. Being neutral and objective is imperative.

Helpful Tips

• Listen to fellow comrades, providing aid and spiritual comfort during times of stress, sickness, or bereavement.

 $_{\circ}~$ Collaborate with the Service Officer to assist members and their families in times of need.

• Maintain confidentiality when officers come to you in confidence.

Remember, your role extends beyond offering prayers at meetings you are a Vital part of the VFW Auxiliary community, supporting its members in various ways.

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